



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No.	48
Roll Call No.	07-
Communication No.	07-254
Submitted by:	William G. Stowe, Assistant City Manager/Public Works/Engineering

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of 28E Agreement with Metro Waste Authority (MWA) for the operation of a program for the collection and processing of yard waste materials.

SYNOPSIS:

On November 6, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-4288, the City Council authorized staff to negotiate a 28E Agreement with the MWA for lease and operation of the City's Harriett Street Compost Facility. On March 12, 2001, by Roll Call No. 01-763, the City Council approved the 28E Agreement by and between the City of Des Moines and the MWA for lease of the Harriett Street Facility through March 31, 2004. Staff has now renegotiated the terms and renewal conditions of the agreement with a new expiration date of March 31, 2010. Staff recommends approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$656,000 based on last year's tonnage of approximately 8,000 tons.

Funding Source: 2007-2008 Operating Budget, Fund EN151, Org PWK100104, Solid Waste Operations Fund, page 304

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

In 1989, the State of Iowa passed legislation that prohibits the landfill disposal of yard debris. The law was effective January 1, 1991. To comply with this law, the City initiated a separate collection of yard debris for residential properties and constructed a yard debris processing facility, known as the Harriett Street Facility. The separate collection program began in October of 1989.

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Staff has now renegotiated the terms and conditions of the agreement with a new expiration date of March 31, 2010. This agreement provides for:

1. MWA will pay the City of Des Moines \$82 per ton of yard waste delivered to the Harriett Street Facility.

2. A lease payment of \$4,166.67 will be paid monthly by MWA to the City of Des Moines for the term of the lease.
3. A 25¢ host fee will be paid to the City of Des Moines for each ton of yard waste delivered to the Harriett Street Facility from other private and governmental entities utilizing the facility.
4. The City of Des Moines will increase the pad of the property by approximately three acres.
5. MWA will provide 500 tons of free compost to the City of Des Moines for their use.

On March 28, 2007, the MWA approved extension of the agreement by Resolution 03-07-02, and Council approval is now recommended.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: March 22, 2004

Roll Call Number: 04-609

Action: Intergovernmental 28E Agreement with Metro Waste Authority for operation of a program for the collection and processing of Yard Waste Materials. (Council Communication No. 04-154). Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE